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Ships in our territorial waters will be levied a fee for their activities

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Australia 'very confident' signals are from missing jet

AT SEA, INDIAN OCEAN:
AFP photo released on April
11 by Australian Defence
shows Able Seaman Aircraft
Technician Avionics Anthony
Hunt holding lookout onboard HMAS Success whilst
deployed in search of the
missing Malaysia Airlines
Flight MH370 in the southern
Indian Ocean.

Australian Prime Minister Tony Abbott said yesterday he is "very confident" that signals detected in the search for Flight MH370 are from the aircraft's black box, whose batteries are waning fast more than a month after the plane vanished.

"We have very much narrowed down the search area



and we are very confident the signals are from the black box," Abbott said, while warning that the transmissions were "starting to fade."

But he warned much remained to be done in "recovering wreckage from almost 4.5 kilometers beneath the sea, or finally determining all that happened on that flight."

The cause of the plane's diversion remains unknown.

Venezuela's Maduro, opposition spar in crisis talks

CARACAS (AFP) - Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro and opposition leaders traded barbs during six hours of nationally televised talks that ended at dawn yesterday, a rocky first attempt to end deadly anti-government protests. Opposition leaders demanded amnesty for people arrested in two months of protests and the disarmament of radical pro-government civilian groups they accuse of terronizing demonstrators.

Maduro rejected their demands in the talks that began late Thursday, but the socialist leader invited his political rivals to another meeting on Tuesday.

"They were wrong if they thought that this farse of a dialogue would fool the international community," radical opposition leader Maria Corina Machado, a former lawmaker who was ousted from the ruling party-dominated legislature, told reporters.

"Last night's hoax gives us more reasons to stay in the streets," said Machado, whose faction wants jailed opposition leaders and students freed before any talks.







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First lustrum of Art Rules Aruba offers an exception program

ORANJESTAD -- On Friday morning, April 18 Managing Director and Vice President Business at RBC Royal Bank (Aruba) NV, Pierre Rafini, signed an official contract of sponsorship with Ayra and Ira Kip, artists and journalists, and founders of the Pancake Gallery. Ayra was on island to thank all their sponsors, particularly RBC and the Aruba Airport Authority, over the past five years, and local media for their support of this annual summer project.

The twin Kip sisters, who lived on Aruba through ten years of their childhood, were inspired four years ago to initiate a summer program for island youth, offering creative classes in several artistic disciplines. They originally began by bringing in noted artists in the visual and performing arts, but over the years have steadily balanced out their team of instructors with accomplished creative artists of Aruba. Ayra expressed her gratitude to the 58 internationally known artists and teachers who have contributed their time and talents over the years to making the Art Rules Aruba project such a success.

Last year, they had increased the curriculum to include nine classes, with a new subject, "Culinary Arts," taught by Chef Urvin Croes of White Modern Cuisine Restaurant. The short course will be fully expanded this year, and the Marriott Resort & Stellaris Casino is hosting the class in their kitchens. A final cooking competition will take place on the night of the ARA grand finale, July 17. Classes will officially begin on July 7, and a special five year amiversary celebra-



RBC Manager Pierre Rafini and Ayra Kip sign agreement

tion will take place on July 5.

The other classes scheduled this year are Creative Media, Fashion, Music & Performance and DJ aside from Culinary Arts. Students can elect to take a one week program or attend for the full two weeks of sessions. Inscription is now open and can be done online here: http://www.artrulesaruba.com/apply/ Over 700 island youth

clude a bonus Junior Workshop, for young artists age nine to twelve.

At the completion of the program, a special presentation integrating all the disciplines will be performed for the parents and public. This year, Art Rules Aruba is taking over the Cas Di Cultura in Oranjestad for all classes and the final performance.

Pierre Rafini expressed



Sponsors Marriott, RBC Bank and AAA with Ayra Kip

have participated in this summer break program, aimed at developing an appreciation for the arts. This year, with the cooperation of the AAA, the program will also feature a field trip to Aruba's sister island of Curacao with a kick off on July 21 and August 2. The program will also inRBC Royal Bank's pride in sponsoring this program, which offers a unique opportunity for all island youth interested in the arts and culture. For full information and updates on all the course, instructors and schedule, visit their website http://www.art rulesaruba.com/

Arubus improves service with new ticket kiosk at Oranjestad terminal

ORANJESTAD -- On Friday morning, April 11, Arubus, the island's mass transit provider, unveiled a new ticket kiosk at the main terminal in Oranjestad, which is located directly across from the entrance to the cruise terminal. Arubus switched all their buses to a swipe system over a year ago, which is a great convenience for those who commute with them regularly.

The buses still maintained a cash system for those who do not regularly travel by bus, as well as island visitors who prefer the more economic form of transport over taxis. There is frequent service from Oranjestad to

major tourist areas such as Palm Beach and Eagle Beach, so many will take the bus to and from town, or to the beaches when they disembark from a cruise ship for the day.

Now, visitors need not be concerned about having small change, as they can now purchase a swipe card at the kiosk, which not only spares them this inconvenience, but also provides marginal savings over a full round trip fare.

The normal cost would be 8 Arubian floring for a round trip, but the swipe card costs 7 Arubian floring, a savings of \$.57 cents U.S. Once swiped, the card is effective for 24 hours for a second trip on the Arubus system, whatever the destination, after



Bus driver Ray Geerman with the new info board and one day swipe card

which it expires.

Arubus Driver Raymond Geerman was on hand to explain the system to the dozens of visitors just off the cruise ship wishing to take the bus to Aruba beach areas. Accompanying the new kiosk is a colorful and easy to read listing of all the bus routes and times, with a clearly understood map of where they take passengers.

This new service is aimed for all those who do not have pre-paid commuter swipe cards, island visitors and residents alike. The program is all part of the time and attention Arubus executives are paying to the needs if their clients, as well as making the service as simple and easy to use as possible for vacation-

Protesters march on the Government House





ORANJESTAD -- Yesterday afternoon, just at the end of the work day, a group of approximately 250 protesters marched down L.G. Smith Boulevard in Oranjetsd to stop in front of the Parliament and the principal government administrative offices, in-

cluding that of Prime Minister Mike Eman.

Though flying the Aruban flag, the group was largely composed of those with loyalties to opposing political parties, dissatisfied with the results of the 2013 elections when Prime Minister Eman and his party, AVP, won a record 13 seats in Aruba's 21-seat Parliament.

The major issue in question for the protesters was the state of the island's economy. Cries of "basta!"-"enough!" were heard frequently. Primary complaints are highly inflated payroll for what are considered too many civil servants and government expenditures. The IMF report of last year and comments by Holland's PM, Mark Rutte, indicated the Aruban government needs to cut spending and trim their payroll to balance Aruba's fiscal budget.

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Local expert educating island teachers on heritage in education



ORANJESTAD -- The University of Curacao has approached Yvonne Webb-Kock, a local Aruban expert, to teach the subject of "The Architecture of Aruba" at the university. Currently various teachers from Aruba, Bonaire and Curação are enrolled together at the University of Curacao and are studying the subject of "Educacion Den Herencia" - Education in Heritage. These students are teachers who are aspiring to earn a Master's degree.

Ing. Webb-Kock is a graduate of the University and is currently director of the Monument Bureau, which is a government department overseeing all monuments on the island.

The Minister of Culture approved the request for Ing. Webb-Kock to facilitate this course to our teachers. They will later pass this information along to the next generation. The course, offered on the Masters level at the IPA facilities was given in the

evening hours. It was also facilitated by "live stream" for all three islands to follow this simultaneously.

The topic of architecture dates back from 1750 to present, covering our modern architecture. Emphasis was placed on a few of the work of our local architects.

Students/teachers were impressed with the material presented and the University of Curacao had much praise for Webb-Kock's excellent work.



Protesters march on the Government House

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In the past ten years, the island has witnessed similar protest marches, two attracting several hundred. These were when the opposing party, MEP, were in power under the administration of then PM, Nelson Oduber. Once, it was to protest the huge debt owed by the government national health agency, AZV, the other when the MEP controlled parliament passed the BBO, or cumulative sales tax, the first

such tax on Aruba, which generated enormous controversy.

Prime Minister Eman, joined by Minister of Economic Affairs, Communications, Energy and Environment, Mike de Meza and Minister of Infrastructure, Integration and Spatial Planning, Benny Sevinger, met the protesters in front of the government house to listen to their issues, which were presented by Bobby De Kort.

Passover is coming and visitors are welcome to the local community Seder

ORANJESTAD -- On Monday, April 14, at sunset, Jewish families around the world will gather to observe the first Passover Seder and the commencement of the eight-day holiday. Pesach, in Hebrew, is a celebration of Moses delivering the Jews from bondage in Egypt, as well as remembrance for the time wandering in the desert, the retrieval of the ten commandments from Mount Sina, and the refugees' final deliverance to the promised Holy Land. The name comes from the final of the ten curses brought upon the Egyptians by Pharaoh's threat to kill all the sons of the Jews. As the Angel came to the homes of Egypt to claim the first born son, it passed over their homes, as they were warned by Moses to paint their doors with lamb's blood.

Pharaoh then consented to allow the Jews to go and worship their God in the desert,



Traditional seder plate

but changed his mind.

The Bible relates that the Egyptian chariots caught up with the Jews at the Sea, but God performed a miracle, allowing the Jews to pass through the parted waters and then closing the sea upon the Egyptian soldiers and drowning them.

Pesach begins on the evening of the 14th day of the Hebrew lunar month of Nissan, on the day of the full moon, and lasts for seven days in Israel and eight days in the Diaspora, among the Jewish communities scattered around the globe.

All sects of the faith, even the most reformed, will sit down to a Seder on at least the first night of Passover, and usually the second as well. The last evening of the holiday will, in most cases, be a special meal. Most conduct their Seder within the home, which is a grand family gathering where certain special foods, very often only prepared twice in a year, such as gefilte fish, are served.

A traditional Seder plate, placed in the middle of the table, includes six symbolic foods, and is associated to a fixed ritual of prayers, traditional chants and partaking of the festive meal, as is recorded in the Hagadah, a liturgical book dedicated to this holiday. The ritual's essence is the retelling of the story of the Exodus, involving and engaging the entire family.

During Passover, only certain foods are allowed, and others eaten during the year are declared "hametz." These include leavened bread and any other product that might contain yeast spores.

The house is thoroughly cleansed of any such items, which are removed from the pantry and disposed of.

Only matzoth, unleavened bread, is consumed during the holiday, as well as root vegetables, similar to those that would have been found by the wandering Jews, as they had no time to grow crops or allow their bread to rise.

Island visitors wishing to observe the holiday have two choices to join the island community for the first Seder Temple Beth Israel has

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Passover...

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Temple Beth Israel has been conducting a community dinner for the first night for more than twenty years. As the holiday requires, there is a great focus on the children with a hunt for the Afikoman. This year, Rabbi Daniel Kripper and his wife, Flora, are personally preparing the gefilte fish and matzoth balls, which he assures are "the best." Those interested in joining the local community for their first Seder can call Rabbi Kripper at Temple Beth Israel at 582-3272 to reserve a place. It will be in the synagogue's social hall and seating is limited, so advance reservations are advised.

Earlier this year, an outreach of the Chabad Orthodox movement established a Jewish Center in La Hacienda Mall in Palm Beach. Rabbi Ahron Blasberg will also be conducting a Seder, and interested parties can join their observance and dinner by calling 743-5157. They will be doing a service both the first and second evening of Passover.

Miss Lipgloss.nl pays courtesy visit to Aruba



ORANJESTAD -- Recently, Aruba Tourism Authority had the pleasure to host Miss Lipgloss.nl Miss Lipgloss.nl is a blog page of Cynthia Schultz of the Netherlands. The blog page focuses on beauty, lifestyle and travel issues and has a circulation of 50,000 daily, covering the Netherlands and Belgium.

Aruba is known to Miss

nary island; also for its many photos, which showcase the island on her blog page, Facebook and Instagram

Ms. Schultz has also uploaded several videos of Aruba YouTube: Miss Lipgloss.nl; Face book: Cynthia Schultz and Instagram: MISSLIP-GLOSS.

Jasmin Maduro, representing the Aruba Tourism Authority, coordinated intensive familiarization trip for Ms. Schultz. The blogger enjoyed a sailing trip on De Palm Pleasure and Pelican catamarans and, Island Tour via UTV De Palm Tours, visits to the Butterfly Farm, Aruba Aloe, Archaeological Museum and Donkey Sanctu-

Lipgloss nl as a ary. She also visited Parke you'to all who helped make Beach, Moomba Beach, Palm Beach and Renaissance Island. Ms. Schultz enjoyed Kite Surfing with Aruba Active Vacations, YOGA at Manchebo Beach, and a relaxing massage at Okeanos Spain the Renaissance.

> Aruba Tourism Authority extends its heartfelt 'thank

tourist and culi- National Arikok, Dos Playa this FAM trip a success. and the Fontein Cave, Baby Thanks go also to Carambola Restaurant, Flying Fishbone, Carrubean Festival, Taste of Belgium, Moomba Restaurant, Papi amento Restaurant, Westdeck Restaurant. Screaming Eagle, Big Mama, La Trattoria El Farro Blanco and especially Renaissance Hotel, where Ms. Schultz stayed while on the island.





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James Sclavunos won \$2,400 in only 40 minutes at the Poker Machine.



Jim Curran won \$7,785 playing at the Quick Hit machine with only a \$2 bet.



Ronald McCaslin Won \$3,600 in only 15 minutes at the Triple Diamond Machine.



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Mustang Money paid out \$3,096 with only a \$4 bet.

Gaminator paid \$2,356 with only a \$1 bet.

Game King paid out \$4,000 in only 15 minutes with a \$5 bet.

Hyperlink Progressive paid \$3,971 in only 10 minutes with a \$1.25 bet.

Quick Hit paid out \$2,158 with just a \$2 bet.







Drug cartel internal feud leaves 28 dead in Mexico

MEXICO CITY (AFP) - An internal power struggle within the once-powerful Gulf drug cartel has left 28 people dead in gunfights on Mexico's northeastern coast this week, authorities said Thursday.

Ten suspected criminals were arrested after a series of shootouts rocked the Gulf of Mexico towns of Tampico and Ciudad Madero, in the state of Tamaulipas, between Saturday and Tuesday.

Authorities also seized cocaine, 16 high-caliber rifles, three handguns and 11 vehicles, said the Tamaulipas Coordination Group of federal and state security forces.

The group said in a state-

ment that the 28 deaths were linked to "clashes or scoresettling between criminal groups" and that calm had been restored in the area on Wednesday.

Separately, a Lancair plane belonging to the Navy crashed during a reconnaissance mission near a highway close to Tampico, killing the pilot and another soldier, officials said.

The head of the federal police, Monte Alejandro Rubido, said the violence stemmed from an internal dispute that followed three "significant" arrests, though he did not name the suspects or criminal organizations.

A Tamaulipas government

spokesman told AFP that the street battles were a struggle for control of the criminal business following the February detention of suspected local Gulf Cartel leader Javier Garza, alias Comandante 14.

The spokesman said the violence took authorities by surprise because the area had been calm for a while. He said the port of Tampico was a strategic shipping point, including for the cartel.

Tampico Mayor Gustavo Torres said earlier this week that the violence in his port city was apparently linked to the Gulf Cartel.

More than 80,000 people have died in drug violence in Mexico since 2006, when president Felipe Calderon deployed troops to crack down on cartels.

Rash of acid attacks stir calls for change in Colombia

BOGOTA (AFP) - A rash of acid attacks in recent weeks have horrified Colombians, provoking calls for special laws to deter a particularly fearsome form of aggression in an already violent society.

For reasons as various as a lovers' quarrel or an argument among neighbors, five people have been attacked in the past two weeks with corrosive chemicals causing serious burns.

In the latest case, which occurred Wednesday in the northwestern city Medellin, the victim, a 22year-old youth, died.

The phenomenon is not new by any means. Since 2004, nearly a thousand attacks involving acid have been reported in Colombia, according to statistics kept by medical examiners.

But a media frenzy erupted after an attack at the end of March on Natalia Ponce, a 33-year-old woman from a well-off Bogota family.

Amember of the Christian MIRA party, Diaz said acid attacks were "the sign of a sick society, one in which people are used to violence."

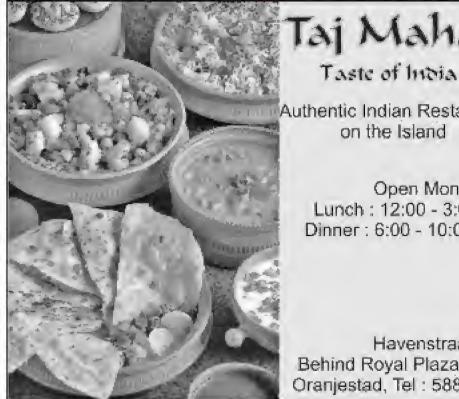
President Juan Manuel Santos has called the acid attacks "truly atrocious and deplorable," and Colombian authorities have offered rewards of about \$40,000 for information leading to the capture of the perpetrators

Ten dead in road accident in California

WASHINGTON (AFP) - A delivery truck ploughed into a bus carrying American students in northern California, killing ten people and injuring at least 30, the California Highway Patrol said. The bus was one of three bringing high school students to tour Humboldt State University on Thursday, which is about a six-hour drive north of San Francisco. "My understanding is the FedEx truck crossed the highway



divide, and it was a head on collision with our bus," Joyce Lopes, a university official, told AFP. The other two buses arrived safely. The university said the dead included the drivers of the two vehicles. Images from the scene showed the highway was divided by a grassy median. Photos of the bus showed a fire-gutted wreck, with the once-white metal exterior blackened and crumpled. On the bus were low-income and first-generation prospective college students, traveling as part of a university-sponsored program to introduce them to the college and other prospective students. "Students were transported to six different hospitals, because it was a fairly remote place ... where the accident occurred," Lopes explained, adding it was taking time to track down each student. The bus that crashed had traveled from Los Angeles, the university said.



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Obama shuffles deck to cement health law gains

WASHINGTON (AFP) President Barack Obama on
Friday nominated budget director Sylvia Mathews Burwell as his new health
secretary, seeking to capitalize
on an enrollment surge to cement his signature health law.

Obama paid tribute to outgoing Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, saying she had pulled off a "historic accomplishment" by securing health insurance for millions of Americans for the first time.

Despite Obama's warm endorsement, Sebelius is effectively paying the price for the chaotic rollout of Obamacare last year, which forced the administration to launch an emergency effort to fix a malfunctioning enrollment website.

The hurried triage paid off, after 7.5 million people eventually signed up through federal and state exchanges to the health care plan by an end-of-March deadline.

Sebelius, an original member of Obama's cabinet,

said that she had known all along that her job would be tough.

"We are on the front lines of a long overdue national change, fixing a broken health system," she said in an event with the president surrounded by pink cherry blossoms in the White House Rose Garden

"There is a reason that no earlier president was successful in passing health reform despite decades of attempts," she said.

Obama's success in passing the Affordable Care Act (ACA) was undeniably a historic achievement as it is the most sweeping social reform legislation to come into force in 50 years.

But he has been deprived of a political payoff from the law, as its popularity is still in question, there have been repeated glitches in implementing it and Obamacare is a millstone for Democratic candidates seeking re-election in conservative states, who face a buzzsaw of opposition from Republicans.

Mathews, who has a reputation inside the White House for quiet managerial competence, faces a challenge in smoothing out implementation in time for the next enrollment period later this year.

Republicans are also certain to use her Senate confirmation process to revive controversy over Obamacare, which they insist must be repealed, arguing it costs jobs and represents an unacceptable overreach by government into the private lives of Americans.

The ACA, which Obama signed into law after a protracted political battle in 2010, seeks to provide quality health insurance in the US private market for millions of Americans who lack it.

It provides federal or state regulated insurance exchanges and subsidies for those who previously could not afford health care -- and imposes a fine on those who decline to buy it.

China 2014 bird flu toll rises to nearly 100: govt

BEIJING (AFP) - Almost 100 people in China died from the H7N9 bird flu strain in the first three months of the year, but the number of both fatalities and infections declined in March, government figures showed.

A total of 24 people died from the disease in March, the National Health and Family Planning Commission said in monthly figures for infectious disease, down from 41 in February and 31 in January. The total number of deaths for the period is 96.

The number of new infections reported in March fell sharply to 24 from 99 in February and 127 in January, the data showed earlier this week, giving a total of 250 cases.

Last year China recorded 46 deaths and 144 cases in the H7N9 outbreak, which started early in 2013 and returned in the autumn.

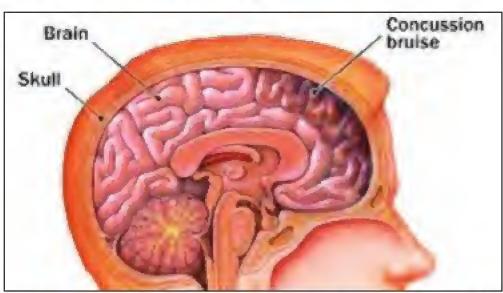
The virus ignited fears that it could possibly mutate to become easily transmissible between people, which might threaten to trigger a global pandemic.

But Chinese officials and the World Health Organization say there is no evidence of sustained human-tohuman transmission, despite sporadic cases of apparent infection between family relatives.

Experts have pointed to a seasonal rise in cases so far this year, thought to be linked to cold weather.

China has responded to the current outbreak by clamping down on live poultry markets and stepping up monitoring of people with symptoms associated with the virus.

NHL: Former players sue league over concussions



NEW YORK (AFP) - The National Hockey League was hit Thursday with a second concussion-related lawsuit, as nine former players accused the NHL of failing to warn them of the dangers of head trauma.

The class action suit brought in a US federal court in New York could increase the pressure on the league, which was sued in November by 10 former players who said the NHL knew or should have known that repeated head blows can injure the brain.

The NHL has tried to reduce the number of blows to the head in recent seasons, banning deliberate hits to the head in 2011, although some former players claim it was too little and too late to help them.

The nine ex-players who launched the suit filed on Thursday include Dan LaCouture, who played 348 NHL games between 1998 and 2009, including spells with Edmonton and Pittsburgh.

According to the suit, La-Couture suffered a concussion in a brawl and still battles headaches, extreme irritability, sensitivity to light and depression.

Dan Keczmer, Jack Carlson, Richard Brennan, Brad Maxwell, Michael Peluso, Tom Younghans, Allan Rourke and Scott Bailey are also named as plaintiffs in the suit.

The suit alleges that the NHL, unlike other elite level organizations such as European leagues, "fostered and promoted an extremely physical game of ice hockey".





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St Jude & Co flourish as belief in saints endures

PARIS (AFP) - Lost your wallet? Making a far-off journey into the unknown? Looking for a job? The answer, for many Catholics, lies in praying to the plethora of saints.

As millions of Catholics prepare for the canonisation of John Paul II, some may be wondering what role the multitude of saints in Catholicism can still play in the modern age.

But for many Catholics -who unlike Protestants and
Muslims are not considered
to have a direct connection to
God -- the saints are important intermediaries, said
Odon Vallet, a historian specialising in religion.

"The further away God appears, the more you need intermedianes," Vallet said.

In Catholicism, there are specific saints to turn to for help. Catholics have a slew of patron saints whom they view as heavenly advocates of a nation, place, trade, activity, clan, family, or person.

There is Saint Honorius, the patron of French bakers and confectioners; Saint Matthew, who oversees the welfare of the Italian city of Salerno as well as of bankers and tax collectors; and the enormously popular Saint Jude, the patron saint of desperate cases and lost causes.

Protestantism, a reaction to Catholic dogma and ritualism, put the breaks on canonisation in the late Middle Ages and has not named a new saint since the 16th century. In time of need, the



faithful address themselves directly to God.

Islam also avoids saints, though "there is a veneration for the patriarchs of the Bible (Abraham, his son Isaac and Isaac's son Jacob) and the companions of the Prophet," Vallet said.

"There is an analogous respect for prophets and patriarchs such as Abraham among the Jews as well, and the tombs of Rachel and David are very frequently visited," Vallet added.

The saints are in some ways the descendants of Greek and Roman gods and demi-gods, who were often hopelessly lovelorn or hardened warriors -- giving them a more human face.

The advent of monotheism and God as the embodiment of perfection gave rise to the need for saints, as ferrymen to the divine and performers of miracles.

This also snawned pil-

This also spawned pilgrimages to religious sites to attain salvation, often coupled with the hope of miraculous healing.

There is the arduous walking pilgrimage to the northem Spanish town of Santiago De Compostela, which houses the shrine of Saint James the Great.

At Lourdes, one of the world's most popular pilgrimage sites, there have been 69 registered miracles in the past 150 years.

Its resident doctor,
Alessandro De Franciscis,
said miracles are as much
about personal faith as the intervention of saints.

"Lourdes is not a place of treatment, it's a place of pilgrimage," he said.

"In the performance of miracles -- of healings that are unexplained but verified and long-lasting -- man is able to tap the resources that each of us has but which are difficult to call on in everyday life without faith."

Millions ready for 'Mad Men' final season



WASHINGTON (AFP) - Pour a large Old Fashioned and pull up an Eames chair: after countless cocktails, numerous infidelities and a litary of sexist jokes, hit US television drama "Mad Men" is finally drawing to a close. The mid-century morality tale, admired almost as much for its achingly cool depiction of 1960s fashion and furniture as for its superb writing and acting, enters its seventh and final season on Sunday. Since it debuted on AMC cable television in 2007, tens of millions worldwide have become devoted followers of the fortunes of tortured New York advertising executive Don Draper, played by Jon Hamm, and his colleagues. Creator Matthew Weiner's show has been crowned Outstanding Drama at the Emmys, television's version of the Oscars, on no fewer than four occasions and has been ranked as one of the most influential shows ever to hit US screens. The success of "Mad Men" -- the first original series commissioned by AMC -- is even sweeter for the show's creator Weiner, who saw his pilot rejected by the HBO network and others before it finally found a home. Weiner, 48, says the final season -- which will be screened in the United States in two sevenepisode blocks, ending in 2015 -- will be broken down into two distinct themes as its philandering protagonist Don Draper grapples with his demons.

ANTWERPEN - by The Fashion Beast Team

Feathers have a deep history in the fashion industry. In the 17th century, plumassiers (feather workers) would craft ostrich, peacock, or heron feathers into objects or accessories; feather fans re-emerged on the French social scene as symbols of status and wealth early in the 19th century; the 20th century saw designers, including Yves Saint Laurent and Cristobal Balenciaga, utilizing feath-



ers as a replacement for fur on the collars of coats or to fill entire dresses. To pay homage to the material, a new exhibition at Antwerp's Mode Museum (MoMu) celebrates the "elegance and refinement" of feathers and plumes in the fashion industry, highlighting facets including "refinement, luxury, freedom, modernism, femininity, lightness," as well as themes such as "lost innocence and dark romance." Providing a comprehensive look at the use of the feathers in fashion, both past and present, the exhibit touches on different facets of the industry.

(picture (AFP)Belgium's Vice-Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Didier Reynders visits the Fashion Museum in Antwerp, on Friday 11 April 2014.)



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Powerful cyclone hits Australia



SYDNEY (AFP) - A cyclone packing winds of up to 230 kilometres (140 miles) an hour hit northern Australia late Friday before weakening to a category two storm as it moved down the coast.

Tens of thousands of people hunkered down as warnings of severe gales, flash flooding and storm tides continued through the night.

"Destructive winds with gusts to 140 kilometres per hour are possible between Cape Melville and Cape Tribulation for a period this morning," the Bureau of Meteorology said.

The storm was moving at nine kilometres per hour and was "expected to continue moving south-southwest" and weaken through today's early morning.

Nonetheless, winds gusting in excess of 110 kilometres per hour were expected
to hit Port Douglas and
Cairns later Saturday morning, and as far south as Cardwell, which is some 1,500
kilometres from Brisbane.

"Anything over 80 kilometres (per hour) is dangerous," Cook Shire Mayor Peter Scott told the Australian Broadcasting Corp.

"Anything over 80K will put a piece of tin through you and chop your head off, it will lift roofs off, it will make severe damage, so the best place to be is staying inside."

Queensland Premier Campbell Newman warned that homes built prior to 1985, when new building regulations were enacted, may not withstand the impact of the storm, and urged residents to head to local cyclone shelters.

Cyclone Ita made landfall at Cape Flattery at about 9:00 pm (1100 GMT), with winds up to 230 kilometres per hour near the core.

It was downgraded from a maximum level five to a weakening category four, before dropping to level three and then level two in the early hours of Saturday.

Tropical storms are common in northeastern Australia. This one is stronger but not as widespread as the monster Cyclone Yasi system that tore through the region just over three years ago, ripping homes from their foundations and devastating crops.

The Bureau of Meteorology also warned of heavy rainfall possibly leading to flash flooding and coastal inundation from a storm surge.



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Music industry joins legal battle against Megaupload

WASHINGTON (AFP) The major US music labels
joined the legal battle
against file-sharing website
Megaupload, with a copyright infringement lawsuit
against the site shut down
by US authorities.

The Recording Industry
Association of America
(RIAA) announced the civil
lawsuit filed Thursday on
behalf of Warner Music
Group, Universal Music,
Sony Music Entertainment
and Capitol Records.

The latest action comes days after the US film industry filed a similar law-suit seeking damages from what was claimed to be the biggest Internet site for online piracy before it was shut down by US authorities

The RIAA suit says Megaupload and its founder Kim Dotcom "actively and intentionally encouraged their users" to upload illegal copies of "the most popular entertainment content, including plaintiffs' sound recordings, for the purpose of distributing those copies to millions of other users."

The complaint seeks the maximum allowable damages and also requests an injunction, saying that the actions "cannot be fully measured and cannot be fully remedied by monetary damages."

The latest suit comes as the US Justice Department and FBI are seeking to extradite Dotcom from New Zealand to face charges of racketeering fraud, money laundering and copyright theft in a US court, which could see him jailed for up to 20 years if convicted.

The earlier lawsuit was

filed Monday by US film studios in coordination with the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA),

The latest lawsuits would add civil damages to the case against Megaupload and Dotcom, who is currently free on bail in New Zealand and has started a new file-sharing venture called Mega.

On Twitter, Kim Dotcom made light of the new lawsuit.

"The RIAA, MPAA and DOJ are like three blind mice following each other in the pursuit of meritless copyright claims," he said in a tweet.

His lawyer Ira Rothken said on Twitter: "RIAA claims v Megaupload are meritless & is an assault on cloud storage a 'neutral' tech used both for good & bad."

World finance chiefs cautious on growth and Ukraine

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The world's leading economic policymakers expressed concern about the Ukraine crisis yesterday, as they pledged once again to find ways to boost global growth through new reforms.

But little concrete came from the meeting of G20 finance ministers and central bank chiefs -- and Australia's Treasurer Joe Hockey admitted members' growth plans are "clearly inadequate."

And they were cautious in speaking about the Ukraine, despite rising tensions within the group, which includes key antagonists Russia, on one side, and the United States and European powers on the other.

Still, their statement made it clear that they see Ukraine's fragile economy, and the rising security threat after Moscow's annexation of Crimea last month, as a threat to the global economy.

Much hangs on the Ukraine being pulled back from the brink, including a \$27 billion rescue being mounted for the country.

"We are monitoring the economic situation in the Ukraine, mindful of any risks to economic and financial stability," said the statement.

Meeting on the sidelines of the annual IMF/World Bank spring meetings in Washington, the G20 kept the focus on global growth, echoing calls by the IMF to strengthen economic expan-

The group reiterated last year's promise to boost collective growth by two percentage points, amid disagreement on how to do so.

But Hockey, whose country leads the G20 this year, said their individual plans for contributing to that goal, offered after they met in Australia in February, fell short of what is needed.

"The comprehensive growth strategies that were submitted by countries following the meeting in Sydney were clearly inadequate," he told reporters.

"Some countries put forward proposals that re-heated initiatives from previous occasions, or were already announced."

When the G20 made the commitment to enhance growth, he added, "we really meant it. It wasn't just a rhetorical figure put in the communique for publicity purposes."

"Instead of simply spending a lot of time reflecting out he lessons of the past, we need to be ambitious for the future. And that's where the two percent strategy is real."

"We're not going to let it just remain in the too-hardto-achieve basket. That's unacceptable."

The statement identified key issues, including increasing and rebalancing demand and making exchange rates more flexible, the latter an issue regularly raised with China by the United States.

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BMW recalls half million cars worldwide

FRANKFURT (AFP) - German automaker BMW is recalling almost half a million vehicles worldwide due to an engine part defect, a company spokesman said yesterday.

The recall affected models with six-cylinder engines built between September 2009 and November 2011, the spokesman told AFP.

In Germany alone, the number was relatively small at 10,800, because most BMW cars sold were equipped with four-cylinder engines.

The total figure includes some 232,000 cars already recalled in China two weeks

And on Thursday, BMW wrote to 156,000 owners in the US asking them to return their cars to their dealer.

Bolts attached to the variable camshaft control unit in the engines of some cars may become loose or even break, leading to a possible engine malfunction, the spokesman said.

However, the spokesman said that no accidents have been reported due to the fault.

US charges nine in million-dollar bank hacking case

WASHINGTON (AFP) - US officials said yesterday that nine people, including three Ukrainians and a Russian, were charged in a scheme that stole millions of dollars by hacking into online bank accounts.

An indictment unsealed yesterday alleges that the hackers used "Zeus" malware to steal passwords, account numbers, and other informa-

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tion necessary to log into online banking accounts.

In the scheme dating back to 2009, the nine worked to infect computers with "Zeus" to allow the hackers to access their accounts.

They then used "money mules" in the United States to withdraw funds and make transfers to others abroad.

The indictment was unsealed in connection with the arraignment in Lincoln, Nebraska, of two Ukrainian nationals, Yuriy Konovalenko, and Yevhen Kulibaba, 36.

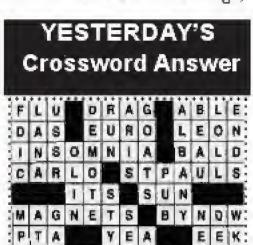
Both were recently extradited from Britain, according to a US Justice Department statement.

All nine people were charged by a federal grand jury in August 2012 with conspiracy to participate in racketeering activity, conspiracy to commit computer fraud and identity theft, aggravated identity theft, and multiple counts of bank fraud.

Four of those named in the indictment remain at large,

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for" from bottle to glass. While some online wine marketplaces bring the cheapest wines to the most people, the folks behind Underground believe you could be willing to spend a few extra dollars to get a higher quality product. Startup cofounder and chief Jeffrey Shaw playfully describes it as "wine roulette, "only you can't lose and the payout comes in cabernet sauvignon, merlot, chardonnay or other varietals crafted by renowned vineyards.



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EU looking to help the Ukraine pay Russia gas bill



VIENNA (AFP) - The European Union's energy commissioner said yesterday the EU was working on a solution to help the Ukraine pay back its gas bills and called for calm after Russia threatened to turn off the gas tap.

"I'm preparing a solution that will be part of the IMF, EU and World Bank aid package to the Ukraine and will allow the payment of unpaid bills," said Guenther Oettinger . "We think we can find solutions in the next few weeks," he added.

"There's one weak point: transit links via the Ukraine are necessary to ensure a really good supply," Oettinger said amid fears that a cut in supplies to the Ukraine would also imperil EU supplies.

"This is why we're in close contact with the Ukraine and its gas company to ensure that the Ukraine remains solvent and that the debt that Ukraine's gas company owes (Russian gas giant) Gazprom doesn't increase.

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O Condominiums officially opened the doors of their sales office onsite at Eagle Beach on December 24. Interested parties can inspect the project in a spacious plot right next to the gournet Screaming Eagle restaurant. The project is directed towards discerning clients seeking a top quality property on Aruba in an ideal, tranquil, beachfront location. Prospective property owners will find the Cas Bon people enjoy an exceptional reputation on Artiba for excellence and reliability.

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Discover authentic Aruban cuisine at The Queen's





Enjoy a true taste of Aruba without having to travel in the charming surroundings of The Queen's Restaurant in the Palm Beach Plaza Mall. Your host, Varella Innocencia has brought her very popular Oranjestad eatery to Palm Beach, showcasing authentic local cursine only a short walk away from the major resorts.

The "hipper" and elegant new digs offer beautiful views, but Mama Lusia's magical touch in the kitchen is what first won this charming eatery their loyal clientele. She can be counted on to be conjuring up the delicious dishes that have been in her family for generation. As Varella says, "My mom loves and lives to cook. Even when she is not at work in the restaurant, she is experimenting with new dishes all day at home.

She is the Queen of the Kitchen."

Be sure to try Luisa's acclaimed "Cami Stoba di Mamachi" - "Grandma's Beef Stew," or their fresh, whole snapper, with Mama Luisa's delectable salsa criollo. Don't miss the specialty of the house, a favorite local delicacy, Keshi Yena -"Filled Cheese." This is a tasty, filling stew of chicken, with other ingredients that are handy that day, all incased in a thick skin of melted Gouda. It is satisfying and particularly memorable. Regional side dishes and some of Mama's secret recipe prepara-



Mama Luisa hard at work in the kitchen

tion of banana hasa and creamy potatoes provide a deliciously picturesque meal.

The Queen's is located on the second level of Palm Beach Plaza, tucked into a cozy corner at the front of the mall. If you have a mind to try the real deal in Aruban food, without a doubt, this is the way to go, reasonably priced and easily accessible. A full menu can be seen on their website, http://www.the

queensaruba, com/.

Aside from an extensive regular menu they also have daily specials made from whatever is in season, and Mama Luisa is in the mood to prepare, so don't be shy about asking for something that may no be on the menu, as they are always eager to please.

The Queen's is open daily from 3:00 pm - 11:00 pm, offering both indoor and outdoor dining. Telf. 5860606





GELSENKIRCHEN (AFP) - Schalke's defender Kaan Ayhan lies on the pitch during the German first division Bundesliga football match FC Schalke 04 vs Eintracht Frankfurt in Gelsenkirchen, western Germany on April 11, 2014. Schalke won 2-0.



DARLINGTON (AFP) - Kevin Harvick, driver of the #4 Budweiser Chevrolet, practices for the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Bojangles' Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway yesterday.



ATLANTA - An All-America selection and All-Big Ten first-team selection in 1965, "Sweet Lou" Hudson passed away Friday. Hudson, a 1991 inductee into the Minnesota Athletics Hall of Fame, was 69. Hawks averaged more than 20 points during 13 NBA seasons. He spent 11 seasons with the Hawks and finished with the Los Angeles Lakers in 1979.

Meet the feminine swimming selection to compete in CARIFTA 2014



ORANJESTAD - Team Aruba will be well represented in the swimming event during the annual CARIFTA competition to be held here from April 22 to 25th.

The team is working diligently on getting prepared in these last days before the competition. The majority of our swimmers are well experienced in international competitions and have won various important medals.

swimmers The Lizanne Kelly who will swim in the 200 Free Relay. Florence Kock will compete in the disciplines of 800 Free, 400 Free Relay, 200 Free Prelims, 50 Fly Prelims, 400 Medley Relay, 100 Free Prelims, 800 Free Relay, 400 Free, 50 Free Prelims, 200 Free Relay and 5000 Free NT. Keeley Maduro will swim in the 50 Back Prelims, 100 Fly Prelims, 400 Free 50 Fly Prelims, 400 IM, 400 Medley Relay, 200 IM Prelims, 200 Fly Prelims, 800 Free Relay, 400 Free, 200 Back Prelims. Also swimming is Junice Martin who will compete in the 200 Breast Prelims, 50 Back Prelims, 400 Free Relay, 100 Back Prelims, 400 IM, 400 Medley Relay, 200 IM Prelims, 50 Breast Prelims, 800 Free Relay, 50 Free Prelims, 100 Breast Prelims and 200 Free Relay. Finally athlete Anahi Schreuders will swim in the 200 Breast Prelims, 400 Free Relay, 200 Free Prelims, 400 Free Relay, 200 Free Prelims, 400 Medley Relay,

50 Breast Prelims, 100 Free Prelims, 800 Free Relay and 100 Breast Prelims.

Team Aruba 13 – 15 years consists of Anahi, Keelay, Florence, Lizanne y Junice. They are all ready to meet their opponents from the other islands and are counting on the support of the community. Come on out to the Roly Bislick Olympic Pool on April 22 to 25th for this very interesting 2014 CARIFTA competition.





Football: Sub-plots everywhere in semi-final match-ups

PARIS (AFP) - Yesterday's Champions League semi-final draw threw up a meeting of two of the great old foes of the European game and kept alive the possibility of a Madrid derby in the final itself.

Chelsea manager Jose Mourinho might have something to say about that of course, as he leads his side into a last-four clash with Atletico Madrid with his sights set on becoming the first coach to win the European Cup with three different clubs.

As if that were not motiva-



tion enough, Mourinho would surely love to create history this year, when the final will be played in his native Portugal, and at the Estadio da Luz in Lisbon, where his managerial career began with Benfica at the start of the last decade.

However, he will know not to underestimate Diego Simeone's Atletico, who ensured that Mourinho's threeyear stint in charge of Real Madrid ended in disappointment when they defeated their city rivals in last season's Copa del Rey final at the Santiago Bernabeu.

Mourinho's reputation as a master motivator and tactician is second to none, but Simeone is doing a remarkable job with Atletico, whose budget is modest in comparison to their last-four rivals.

The Argentine led Atleti to a 4-1 win against Chelsea in the final of the UEFA Super Cup at the start of last season, and if the prolific Radamel Falcao, a hat-trick hero in that game, has since moved on, the team have coped just

fine without him.

Indeed, their success has been built around defensive solidity, and they have conceded only five goals in 10 Champions League games this season.

Perhaps the main reason for that is Belgian goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois, who is on loan at the Vicente Calderon from Chelsea and looks set to play against his parent club after UEFA ruled any clause in his contract preventing him from facing them was against competition rules.

However, Atletico will be driven by the motivation of winning through to a final where they would face Chelsea while Real Madrid take on Bayern Munich with the first legs taking place on April 22/23 and the return the following week.

Real's pairing against Bayem brings together two clubs who have won the competition 14 times between them.

José Mourinho was born on 26 January 1963, in Portugal. He is regarded by some to be the world's best manager and one of the greatest of all time. Mourinho started out as a player in the 2nd Portuguese division.

Diego Simeone born 28
April 1970 in Argentine is a former football player and current manager of Spanish La Liga club Atlético de Madrid. He was capped over 100 times for the Argentina national football team and represented the country at the 1994, 1998 and 2002 FIFA World Cups.

Fun Walk & Run activity inviting you to join them!



ORANJESTAD - Team Thrill Walkers has submitted a bulletin informing the general public of their event scheduled for April 13th..."Take Initiative for Yourself...Now."

The Fun Walk & Run' route of 3.5K, 4K which can become 7.5K is on the Linear Park.

The event is scheduled to begin at 7:00 in the morning at the entrance of the Plaza Turismo at the Linear Park. Contribution for the event is only Afls. 5.00 (\$3.00) payable at the event at the Linear Park.

If you have never taken the decision to do physical exercise before, you can begin now and decide o participate in this interesting event.





NEW YORK - (AFP) Derek Jeter #2 of the New York Yankees hits a double in the fifth inning against the Boston Red Sox during their game at Yankee Stadium on Thursday in the Bronx borough of New York City. The Yankees won 4-1.

Boxing: Pacquiao eager for decisive win in **Bradley rematch**

LAS VEGAS (AFP) - Manny Pacquiao wants a decisive victory over Timothy Bradley in their eagerly anticipated welterweight world title rematch Saturday in Las Vegas as he bids to avenge a controversial loss two years ago.

America's Bradley, renowned for his amazing durability, snapped the Philippine icon's 15-fight un-

beaten streak with a debatable split decision triumph in their first showdown on June 9, 2012.

The 30-year-old Bradley is out to prove he was deserving of the World Boxing Organization belt he seized that night and has since defended

For Pacquiao, 35, whose loss to Bradley was followed



by a sixth-round knockout defeat to Juan Manuel Marquez, it's imperative he prove his unanimous decision victory over Brandon Rios in his only fight of 2013 marked a real rebirth of his ring career

"This is a 'must-win' situation for us," Pacquiao's Hall of Fame trainer Freddie Roach said.

Even though Roach and "Pacman" want a clear-cut victory, both said Pacquiao -- who has had to fend off talk of retirement -- can't go in aiming for a knockout.

Instead, they say he must press his attack consistently, avoiding the fallow minutes that apparently cost him the decision in the first Bradley fight, even though Pacquiao landed more punches and more power punches overall

Southpaw Pacquiao, the only man to win world titles in eight weight divisions, staked his claim to boxing's pound-for-pound crown with a spate of impressive knockout victories in 2008 and 2009.

That included a ninthround stoppage of David Diaz that proved Pacquiao could step up to lightweight and retain his fearsome power.

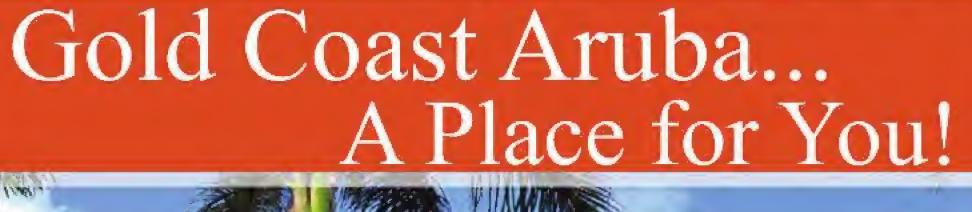
He went on to stop Oscar de la Hoya in a 2008 welterweight bout, and delivered a spectacular second-round knockout of Britain's Ricky Hatton in 2009.

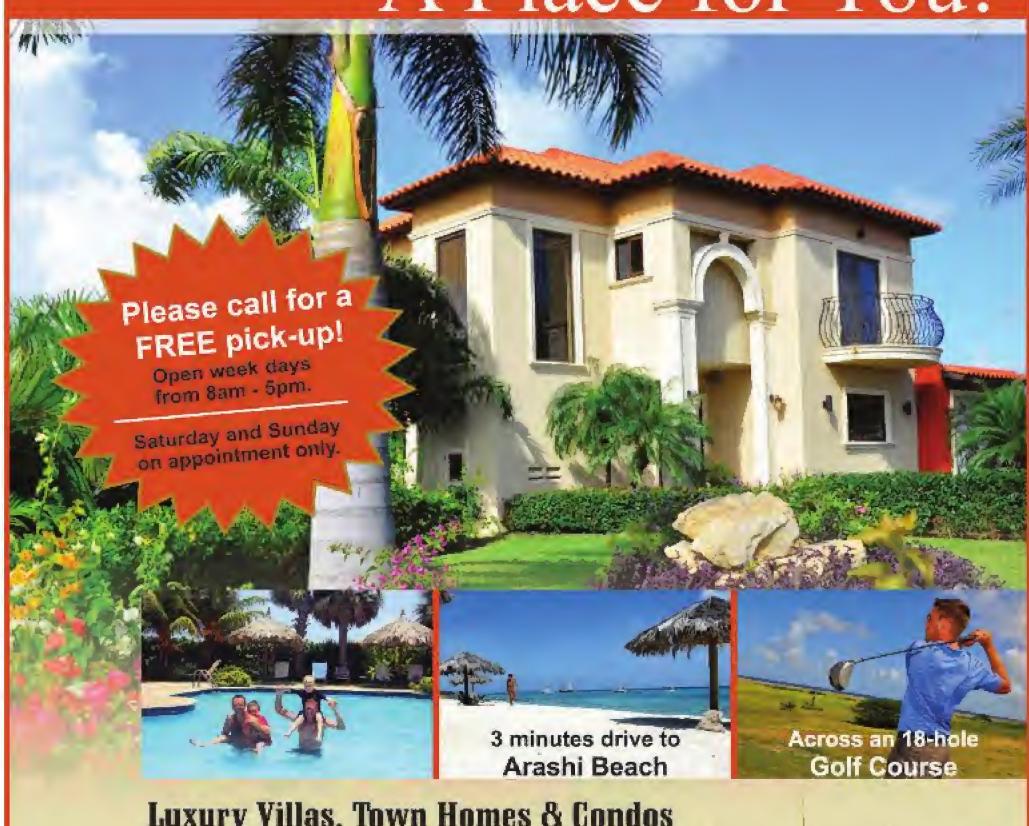
Later that year, he punished Miguel Cotto en route to a 12th-round technical knockout in another welterweight bout -- but Pacquiao hasn't finished off an opponent inside the distance since.

Debate has raged as to whether he has lost his knockout power, or perhaps become too "compassionate" towards opponents after a deepening of his Catholic faith.

In the 2012 loss to Marquez, Pacquiao had the Mexican star on the canvas in the fifth round and in trouble in the sixth before Marquez connected for a stunning one-punch knockout.

Pacquiao, who owns a record 55-5 with two drawn and 38 knockouts, puts that defeat down to "carelessness."





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